(b) and (c) Presently, the process of election of delegates of Kendriya Bhandar out of the eligible shareholders has already started. A Public Notice was issued in the leading newspapers in August, 2006, requesting the shareholders/members to verify their names and make representation for carrying out amendment, if any. The lists of shareholders for the purpose of election of delegates were updated on the basis of response received from the share holders. All efforts are made on the basis of response received from the shareholers. All efforts are made on the basic of available record to remove the names of shareholders who have retired from service from the list of shareholders who are eligible to vote for the election.

Corruption in anti-corruption agencies

†1723. SHRI PYARELAL KHANDELWAL: Will the PRIME MINSTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the anti-corruption agencies and the Department of Vigilance, set up to prevent corruption seem to be themselves involved in corruption;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Department of Vigilance in each department are merely completing formalities instead of preventing corruption;

(c) if so, the efforts being made by Government for making the said anti-corruptions agencies more effective;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Govenment would consider to avail the services of Central anti-corruption agencies with a view to control corruption prevailing in centrally sponsored programmes being run by various Ministries; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reaons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) No, Sir. However, as and when any instance of involvement of any employee of these organization in corruption comes to notice, same is investigated and stern action taken as per rules.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(e) and (f) The services of Central anti-corruption agencies are available to all Central Ministries/Departments and State Governments for investigation of allegations of corruption. However, in case of officials of the State Government, the Central Bureau of Investigation can investigate only with the consent of the concerned State Government.

Allotment of service to hearing-impaired candidates

1724. SHRIMATI VIPLOVE THAKUR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the UPSC has refused to allot any service to three hearing-impaired candidates selected in the All India Civil Services Examination, 2005 batch;

(b) if so, whether it is not violation of the provisions of the Disabil'ty Act; and

(c) the action Government propose to take in this regard and by when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) The UPSC recommends the candidates on the basis of Civil Services Examination and Department of Personnel and Training does the services allocation to the recomended candidates. All hearing impaired candidates of Civil Services Examination, 2005 have been allocated to one service or the other.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

IAS/IPS officers in Jharkhand

†1725. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of posts sanctioned in the cadre of IAS and IPS officers in Jharkhand;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.